

**Electric Wire Fencing on Indo-Bangla
Border**

*701. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to undertake electric wire fencing on the Indo-Bangladesh border;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c). Requirements are directed by various security considerations.

[English]

New procedure for expeditious clearance of Irrigation projects

*702. SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATI:
SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of Water Resources be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to evolve a new procedure to avoid inordinate delay in according clearance to irrigation projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the time by which the said procedure is likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a). The revised guidelines for

submission, appraisal and clearance of irrigation projects have been issued in February, 1990.

(b) A Statement giving the details of the revised guidelines is attached.

(c) The new procedure has already become applicable to the new projects proposed by the States.

STATEMENT

Details of the revised guidelines for submission, appraisal and clearance of irrigation projects.

In these guidelines major part of the technical examination of major projects has been entrusted to the State Governments themselves having Central Design Organisations. In such cases scrutiny of projects in the central Water Commission shall be completed within 7 months, provided inter-State aspects have been resolved and hydro-logic and economic viability of the projects is acceptable. In States where such organisations are not existing, the project reports shall be examined by the Central Water Commission and scrutiny will be completed within 14 months. In case of medium projects these are to be examined in the Regional offices of the Central Water Commission and not at the Central Water Commission's Headquarters in Delhi, and then referred to the advisory Committee for clearance within a period of 7 months.

In addition, the state Governments are required to obtain the clearance from the Ministry of Environment and forests from the environment and/or forest angle.

After completion of the appraisal the projects are required to be considered by the Advisory Committee for recommendation to the Planning Commission for investment clearance.